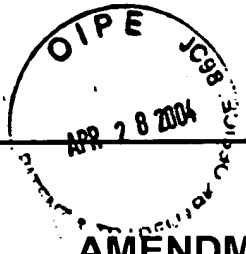


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A) please consider the responsive **Remarks** provided herewith in **Attachment A**; and

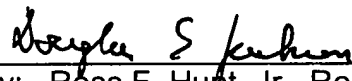
B) please amend the above identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in **Attachment B**.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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